

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. -19. (Cancelled)

20. (Currently Amended) A waterfowl decoy comprising:

a buoyant body having a recess therein;

a reel rotatably mounted within at least a portion of said recess in said buoyant body, the reel having first and second halves and an eccentric weight disposed between the first and second halves of the reel such that the reel is eccentrically weighted so as to resist but not prevent rotation of the reel within the recess in said buoyant body;

a flexible anchor line attached to said rotatably mounted reel;

[[and]] an anchor attached to said anchor line, the anchor being of sufficient weight to cause the reel to rotate and the line to unwind until the anchor hits bottom; and

an integral cranking means configured to rewind the anchor line and to be to secure said anchor line when the cranking means is pushed into a stowed position within a second D-shaped recess in the buoyant body to resist rotation of the reel to secure the anchor, wherein the eccentric weight is of sufficient weight to resist rotation of the reel and unwinding of the line after the anchor hits lake bottom.

21. (Previously Presented) The waterfowl decoy of claim 20, wherein said eccentrically weighted reel is unevenly weighted to provide resistance to rotation of the reel, and said anchor is of sufficient weight to overcome the resistance and rotate the reel to unwind the line until the anchor hits bottom.

22. (Previously Presented) The waterfowl decoy of claim 20, wherein the anchor causes rotation of the reel by means of gravity, and the eccentric weight resists further rotation after the anchor hits bottom to resist further unwinding of the anchor line.

23. (Previously Presented) The waterfowl of claim 22, wherein said eccentrically weighted reel functions as a weighted keel to cause the waterfowl to self-right.

24. (Currently Amended) The waterfowl of claim 20, wherein the anchor is of sufficient weight to cause the reel to rotate by means of gravity to unwind the anchor line when the water fowl is being deployed in a body of water, and the eccentric weight is sufficient to resist rotation of the reel and unwinding of the anchor line after the anchor hits bottom, and [[wherein]] the cranking means is configured to ~~rewind the anchor line and to~~ be stowed in a manner that resists rotation of the reel to secure the anchor when the water fowl has been retrieved from a body of water.